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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of the document cited is enclosed.

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing and before the first Office Action on the merits, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

To assist the Examiner, the document is listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialled copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.

| [X] | No additional fee for submission of an IDS is required. |
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| [] | The fee of \$240.00 (126) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is also enclosed. |
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| [] | A certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), a petition requesting consideration of the |
| | information disclosure statement, and the petition fee of \$130.00 (122) as set forth |
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